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Enclosed are three copies of a two-page Certificate of Correction for the above-referenced patent. Because some of the errors appear to be made by the Patent Office and some of the errors appear to be made by the applicant a check is enclosed in the amount of \$100.00 as required under 37 CFR 1.20(a). Please issue the enclosed Certificate of Correction.

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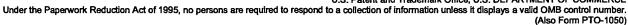
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